

# Fast Food Fax

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## Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection, Classified by Weight, weekending: Mar 22, 2003

### FOOD SERVICE/

	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 – 5.25	5.26 & Up	---
Total (000)	27,427	29,572	40,349	97,348
Percentage	28%	30%	41%	99%

### Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weight</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	5,496	5.68
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	5,369	5.54
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz. - 2 lbs., 12 oz.	11,627	12.01
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	4,935	5.10
		27,427	28.33

Trade sentiment was barely steady to steady. Demand was mostly fair to moderate. Offerings were generally sufficient for current trade needs. In the parts complex, Tenders were in good balance and clearing satisfactorily. Other items were at least adequate to available. Weights were in a full range but mostly desirable.

### BROILER EGGS SET/CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

BROILER FOOD SETS, CHICKS PLACED IN 10 WEEKS PREVIOUS					Eggs Set		Chicks Placed		Prelim. Fed. Insp.	
Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		10 Weeks Previous		7 Weeks Previous		Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Feb 01	<b>203,980</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>166,256</b>	<b>101</b>	200,210	98	162,898	98	<b>151,181</b>	<b>105</b>
Feb 08	<b>201,937</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>165,277</b>	<b>100</b>	202,586	96	164,701	98	<b>150,335</b>	<b>99</b>
Feb 15	<b>202,463</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>166,036</b>	<b>99</b>	200,118	98	162,324	98	<b>152,044</b>	<b>101</b>
Feb 22	<b>203,562</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>164,979</b>	<b>97</b>	203,451	98	164,413	97	<b>147,355</b>	<b>97</b>
Mar 01	<b>205,205</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>164,349</b>	<b>97</b>	200,256	96	162,132	96	<b>148,405</b>	<b>101</b>
Mar 08	<b>205,590</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>163,738</b>	<b>95</b>	201,092	97	163,604	97	<b>151,538</b>	<b>102</b>
Mar 15	<b>204,317</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>167,396</b>	<b>97</b>	204,119	99	166,045	99	<b>151,337</b>	<b>100</b>
Mar 22	<b>204,902</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>169,014</b>	<b>99</b>	203,492	99	166,420	101	<b>153,022</b>	<b>101</b>
Mar 29	<b>204,138</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>169,261</b>	<b>99</b>	202,802	99	164,887	100	<b>152,814</b>	<b>100</b>

Data in bold are subject to revision \*Percent of previous year \*\*Percent change from previous week

### Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

#### Week of 04/07/03

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York Grade A Ice-packed	52.04	51.55	45.76
Chicago Grade A Ice-packed	50.15	49.95	45.43
Los Angeles Grade A Ice-packed	67.18	67.26	64.94
12-City Composite Weighted Avg.	57.71	57.71	53.64
Georgia Dock FOB Final Weighted Avg.	62.39	62.36	60.60
Southern States FOB Whole Body 5 day Avg. Index	44.86	47.23	36.44

### Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

#### Weekly Weighted Average

	<u>Northeast (Delivered) 04/04/03</u>	<u>Southern States (FOB) 04/04/03</u>	<u>Georgia (FOB) 04/07/03</u>
Breast - B/S	147.88	133.82	154.50
Tenderloins	127.64	135.20	177.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	79.49	83.98	85.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	21.00	18.62	21.50
Wings	68.64	65.65	69.00